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SUBJECT: AMERICAN FILM WEEK

REF: (A) SHIRLEY/ALEXANDER TELCON 3/7/78,  
(B) ALEXANDER/PERRIN TELCON 3/7/78, (C)USIA 5590

1. PAO SHIRLEY HAS DISCUSSED AVAILABILITY OF GERMAN-  
SYNCHRONIZED FILMS FOR AMERICAN FILM WEEK IN GDR  
MAY 18-25 WITH MPAA EUROPEAN DIRECTOR MARK SPIEGEL, WHO  
ASKS THAT GRIFF JOHNSON APPROVE BY TELEX OR  
CABLE, FOLLOWING WHICH SPIEGEL WILL GIVE GREEN LIGHT TO  
WEST GERMAN FILM DISTRIBUTORS. AGENCY REQUESTED CONTACT  
JOHNSON ACCORDINGLY. SPIEGEL IDENTIFIES ONLY FOUR OF  
SEVEN SELECTED TITLES AS UNDER MPAA CONTROL, SPECIFICALLY,  
"WEST SIDE STORY," "2001-A SPACE ODYSSEY," "TRUE GRIT" AND  
"ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST," AND FORESEES NO  
PROBLEMS ONCE APPROVAL FROM MPAA HQ RECEIVED.

2. OTHER THREE--"CITIZEN KANE," "INHERIT THE WIND," AND  
"MODERN TIMES"-- OWNED INDEPENDENTLY, AND SPIEGEL SUGGESTS  
AGENCY DETERMINE AND CONTACT SEPARATELY. POST SUGGESTS  
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THAT IF ANY OF THESE THREE POSE DIFFICULTIES, AGENCY  
INQUIRE ABOUT "AMERICAN GRAFFITI" AND "SILENT MOVIE" AS  
POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVES.

3. AGENCY REMINDED THAT SEVEN FILM TITLES, STILLS AND  
PUBLICITY MATERIALS MUST BE IN MINISTRY OF CULTURE BY  
MARCH 20. ACTUAL PRINTS NOT NEEDED UNTIL MAY 12. POST

REQUESTS CONFIRMATION OF AGENCY-JOHNSON DISCUSSION.  
SPIEGEL TRAVELLING TO FRG MARCH 8 AND COULD INFORM  
DISTRIBUTORS WHILE THERE. ALEXANDER

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